

**REMARKS**

The present preliminary amendment is submitted in order to correct the improper multiple dependency of claims as originally filed.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4 has been amended as follows:

- 1           4. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-3] claim 1, wherein  
2   the concentration of trichloroacetic acid is from about 20 % to about 45 %w/v.

Claim 6 has been amended as follows:

- 1           6. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-2] claim 1, wherein  
2   the concentration of 2-hydroxybenzoic acid is from about 10 % to about 30 %w/v.

Claim 8 has been amended as follows:

- 1           8. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-7] claim 1 further  
2   comprising at least one corticosteroid.

Claim 12 has been amended as follows:

- 1           12. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-11] claim 1,  
2   wherein adjuvants and excipients are ethanol and sodium chloride.

Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

- 1           13. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-12] claim 1 for use  
2   in the treatment of cutaneous injuries.

Claim 14 has been amended as follows:

- 1           14. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-12] claim 1 for use  
2 in the treatment of cutaneous injuries resulting from mechanical traumas or surgical operations,  
3 burns, dermatitis both from animal sting and animal or poisonous plant contact.

Claim 15 has been amended as follows:

- 1           15. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-12] claim 1 for use  
2 in the therapy and prevention of hypertrophic cicatrices and keloids.

Claim 16 has been amended as follows:

- 1           16. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-12] claim 1 for use  
2 in aesthetic medicine.

Claim 18 has been amended as follows:

- 1           18. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition according to [claims 1-17] claim 1 in the  
2 form selected from the group consisting of ointment, gel, foam, liquid preparations, medicated  
3 plaster.

Claim 19 has been amended as follows:

- 1           19. (Amended) [Process] A process for the preparation of [the] a pharmaceutical  
2 composition [according to claims 1-18] comprising the following steps: a) [prepare,] preparing  
3 in an anhydrous atmosphere, [the] distinct A and B mixtures, respectively, of (A)  
4 trichloroacetic acid at a concentration from about 40 % to about 90 % in [the] a suitable

5 polymer and (B) 2-hydroxybenzoic acid at a concentration from about 20 % to about 60 %, in  
6 [the] a suitable polymer; b) [mix,] mixing by adding small subsequent portions, same volumes  
7 of the two mixtures to obtain the A+B mixture; c) [add] adding a volume of a ( $1\alpha$ ,  $2\beta$ ,  $5\alpha$ )-5-  
8 methyl-2-(1-methylethyl)cyclohexanol saturated solution in anhydrous ethanol equal to 2 % of  
9 the volume of the A+B mixture; d) [add] adding sodium chloride in a such amount to obtain a  
10 final concentration of about 1,2 % w/v; e) [keep] placing the obtained composition in a bottle  
11 filled with anhydrous air at 30°C in reduced pressure conditions and [leave] at ambient  
12 temperature for about 24 hours.

Claim 22 has been amended as follows:

1 22. (Amended) Process according to [claim 19-21] claim 19, wherein to [the] mixture  
2 obtained in the step d) one or more corticosteroids is added.